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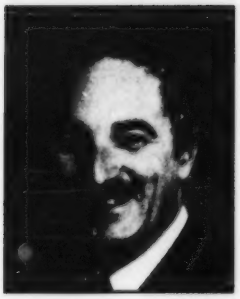
To Her Honour
The Honourable Sylvia O. Fedoruk, OC, SOM
Lieutenant Governor of the
Province of Saskatchewan

Your Honour:

I respectfully submit the Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Family Foundation for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1991.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Teichrob
Minister



The Honourable Carol Teichrob
Minister of the Family

Dear Madam:

I am pleased to submit the Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Family Foundation for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1991.

As part of a government reorganization in January, 1991, consumer education, sport, heritage, culture and recreation were added to the mandate of the Family Foundation. The reorganization involved an amalgamation of the former Department of Culture, Multiculturalism and Recreation, and the Education and Marketplace Relations Branch of the former Department of Consumer and Commercial Affairs with the Saskatchewan Family Foundation.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Perrins
President

Saskatchewan Family Foundation

Mission

The purpose of the Family Foundation is to promote the well-being of Saskatchewan people, as individuals, families and communities.

Mandate

To develop, coordinate, promote and implement policies and programs relating to:

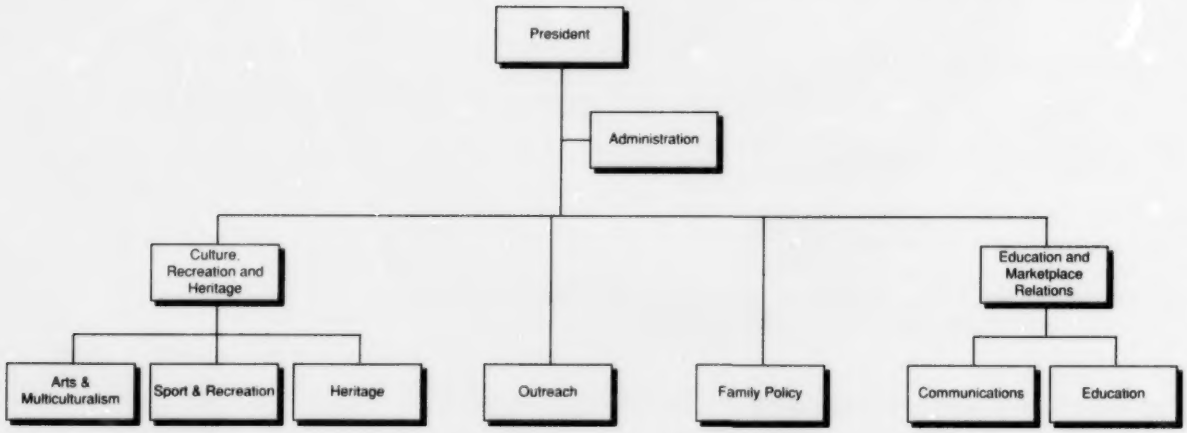
- the social well-being of family relationships;
- cultural, physical or social development;
- preservation and development of archaeological, heritage or recreational resources;
- improving consumer awareness.

Legislative Responsibilities

Acts and Regulations administered by the Family Foundation prior to January 1, 1991.
The Family and Community Services Act
The Family Foundation Regulations

Additional legislative responsibilities as of January 1, 1991.
The Interprovincial Lotteries Act
The Interprovincial Lotteries Regulations
The Renewable Resources, Recreation and Culture Act - Clauses 9(l) to 9(o)
The Doukhobors of Canada C.C.U.B. Trust Fund Act
The Archives Act
The Arts Board Act
The Saskatchewan Centre of the Arts Act
The Heritage Property Act
The Saskatchewan Heritage Foundation Act
The Saskatchewan Multicultural Act
The Western Development Museum Act

Organization Chart*



*Operating structure during transition period following department amalgamation in January 1991.

Policy Branch

The Policy Branch continues to implement a process of policy development designed to bring a "families perspective" to all levels of government, businesses and community organizations.

This process requires:

- coordination across government;
- working partnerships;
- support to existing family services in communities; and
- encouraging care for people through the supportive relationships surrounding them.

The Family Foundation is committed to working with and through other organizations to achieve its objectives.

The Foundation brings together partners, within and outside government, to pool resources, share expertise, develop networks and address problems. We encourage their input in the development of policies and programs, and provide an access point for groups communicating with government.

Working across government departments, the Foundation promotes a new environment for review of social policy and programs, and provides a families focus.

Several mechanisms have been developed to enable a coordinated approach within government including the interdepartmental Working Committee on Family Policy and the Deputy Ministers' Coordinating Committee on Social Programs.

Some specific policy issues examined during the year by Family Foundation committees include family violence, farm stress, and work and family life.

Child Nutrition and Development Program

The Foundation continued to assist communities in developing their response to child hunger. Through the Child Nutrition and Development Program, projects provide food, nutrition, social skills, caring, and a positive environment for children who are innocent victims of difficult circumstances.

Most projects operate from a school, church, or community agency. The service may take the form of a breakfast, lunch or snack. Care is taken to provide a service without stigma.

Community members express concern that the causes of child hunger and poverty are many, and that responses must be flexible and varied. For this reason, the Family Foundation encourages responses which meet the immediate needs of children for food, yet address the developmental needs of the child for security, acceptance, knowledge, satisfying social relationships, and the opportunity to make their own personal contribution.

The Foundation also promotes an approach which includes preventive education in money management, nutrition, shopping and food preparation: areas considered important for both children and their parents. Similarly, parents are encouraged to participate in and to be involved in the decisions around services for their children.

During the year, the Government of Saskatchewan allocated $740,000 to meet the needs of hungry children. A variety of community responses were approved:

- ***Community Schools Nutrition Projects*** - up to $351,000 to support school-based nutrition projects with 18 inner city schools in Prince Albert, Regina and Saskatoon;

- ***Regina Education and Action on Child Hunger*** (REACH) - $120,000 to coordinate children's food services and nutrition education in Regina;

- ***Saskatoon Child Hunger and Education Program*** (CHEP) - $62,400 to coordinate children's food services and nutrition education in Saskatoon;

- ***Battlefords Outreach Program*** - $60,000 to Concern For Youth for the hiring of two street workers to provide counselling, support, and referral services to disadvantaged youth in the Battlefords;

- *Prince Albert Community Development Program* - $60,000 to the City of Prince Albert to develop, implement and coordinate community-based child nutrition initiatives, and other related initiatives;

- *Prince Albert Share-A-Meal* - $24,000 to Monsignor Ulinski's program for hiring of a coordinator/cook for a daily hot meal program, encouraging parent participation and nutrition education;

- *Saskatoon Inner City Preschool Projects* - $26,000 to assist with the costs of preschools for inner city children in four schools;

- *Moose Jaw Native Friendship Centre* - $10,600 to cover the cost for a hot meal program;

- *North Battleford School Division #103* - $3,800 to support school-based nutrition initiatives in two inner city schools;

- *Pleasantdale Central School Feeding Program* - $2,500 to share the cost of a daily lunch program;

- *White Fox Student Council Lunch Program* - $300 to continue a student run lunch program.

Outreach Branch

The Outreach Branch continues to conduct family education programs and strengthen family support networks through the Forums About Families Program, communications and promotional activities, and youth initiatives.

Forums About Families

During the year, the ***Forums About Families Program*** assisted individuals and communities:

- providing skill development and training on family life topics;
- helping to identify resources in the community that strengthen and support families;
- assisting community groups in developing their expertise and expanding their knowledge of government departments and non-government organizations;
- promoting the development of supportive networks that allow communities to respond to local needs.

Forums are community driven. Communities identify a need and plan an event to address that need. The Family Foundation assists with identification of speakers and resource materials and provides funding support. A review committee composed of one representative from each funding department and one SADAC representative reviews Forums applications and recommends funding.

Evaluation of forums during the year shows that:

- more than 16,000 participants attended the 84 events; one quarter had attendance exceeding 200 participants each; twelve forums had attendance of more than 500;
- the majority of forums dealt with parenting or youth-related topics;
- interest or support groups have been formed as a result of the event;
- there is increased interest in the programs and services of community organizations;
- in planning their events, community groups became much more aware of the services of particular government departments;
- the financial assistance available through the Forums program is essential.

Youth Initiatives

The Family Foundation is charged with coordination of policy on youth across government.

In 1990-91, the Foundation coordinated the development of a youth strategy for government. This strategy provided a framework for assessing new initiatives as well as existing programs, and strengthening ties with key partners. A youth matrix was prepared, providing a broad outline of existing services for youth within government.

During the year, the Family Foundation supported activities for youth to be heard, to develop their skills, knowledge and abilities, and to participate in decision-making.

The Foundation coordinated youth consultations with the Minister in North Battleford, Montmartre, Melfort, Morse, Yorkton, and La Ronge. Youth responded to the opportunity to express their views to government and to hold workshops organized by youth for youth on issues of concern.

Working with its many partners, the Foundation provided youth with training and information through projects such as:

- ***Project Real World: Economic Living Skills for High School Students;***
  This project was led by Saskatchewan, in partnership with five other provinces. Materials were developed for use in Canadian schools. (Education and Marketplace Relations Branch)

- ***Listen to Me: Saskatchewan's Youth Speak Out;***
  A CBC program filmed by youth and including an open forum giving youth an opportunity to air their views. This program was followed up with a Youth Roundtable, where youth could speak directly to policymakers.

- ***Forums About Families;***
  A number of seminars have focused on youth issues such as: teen/parent communication, peer counselling, substance abuse, and marriage preparation.

- ***Child Nutrition and Development Program;*** Funding for feeding programs for children and support for long-term planning to deal with problems associated with hunger. (Policy Branch)

Communications

The branch was responsible for communications within the Foundation during the reporting period prior to January 1, 1991.

Staff worked with the assigned agency of record to design a Foundation logo and visual identity standard for use on promotional materials including brochures, posters, folders and fact sheets.

National Family Week was proclaimed in Saskatchewan on behalf of Family Service Bureaux and involved the production of a province-wide newspaper supplement on the changing family in Saskatchewan. A media tour for the Minister was also arranged.
A Foundation display was prepared to use as a distribution point for promotional materials. In November, 1990, the display was judged the best government display at Agribition.

A parenting kit was created for distribution at forums and from the Foundation display.

The branch coordinated a number of news conferences announcing funding for feeding programs as part of the Child Nutrition and Development Program.

Education and Marketplace Relations Branch

The Foundation works in partnership with community and interest groups, industry and business, educational institutions, and the volunteer sector to deliver marketplace education and information programs and resources across the province and facilitate joint problem-solving.

Education and Extension

Education programs are designed to:

- increase the knowledge and awareness of both buyers and sellers regarding their rights and responsibilities in the marketplace;
- improve consumer decision-making, resource management skills and consumer citizenship skills.

The Consumer Education Community Program

Volunteers continue to provide direct delivery, throughout Saskatchewan, of consumer education programs on topics including money management, consumer law, advertising, financial planning, food buying and cutting costs skills.

New workshop guides on financial planning, Christmas, and credit and debt management were developed, as well as toy buying, conservation and advertising workshops.

With a complement of some 75 active volunteers, the Foundation has been able to extend consumer education to many more Saskatchewan citizens.

The program is a model for other provinces and across North America where volunteers deliver adult education services to meet local needs.

To the end of the fiscal year and since the program began, 1,609 programs have been delivered to 34,450 people.

Clear Language Program

Led by the Foundation, Saskatchewan became the first province in Canada to implement a government-wide ***Clear Language Program***. All Saskatchewan government departments and agencies are expected to use Clear Language in written materials and public communications.

The program was developed out of the Federal/Provincial Plain Language and Consumer Education Task Force chaired by Saskatchewan.

A government-wide seminar and rally was held in January to officially launch the Clear Language Program, featuring Mr. Mark Vale, Canadian Legal Information Council, Plain Language Centre, Toronto.

A training of trainers program for all departments and a training manual was completed, as well as the production of brochures and posters. A Clear Language handbook was produced for distribution throughout government.

The Saskatchewan Clear Language model is being modified for use by Ontario, Alberta and the federal government.

Project Real World: Economic Living Skills for High School Students

Led by Saskatchewan, in partnership with five other provinces, ***Project Real World*** was developed for use in Canadian high schools.

This education resource is divided into five modules: The Canadian Marketplace and You; Your Economic Decisions; Resource Management Skills - What Money Can't Buy; Entrepreneurship and the World of Work; and, Citizen Participation in Canada's Market-Based Economy.

Project Real World was extensively field-tested in Saskatchewan by teachers before production and developed in consultation with teachers, the business community and representatives of the Consumers' Association of Canada.

Conservation Activities

Choose to Conserve: The Consumer and the Environment is a self-help information package produced cooperatively with the Department of the Environment and Public Safety. An activity guide for use by teachers was developed for kindergarten to Grade 12 use. The package addresses environmental problems, solutions, and suggests individual action.

The Foundation, the first provincial government agency to begin a program of white paper recycling, successfully operated and expanded its internal program during the year.

In addition, the Foundation participated on three working groups of the Saskatchewan Round Table on the Environment and the Economy and on the Saskatchewan Energy Management Task Force.

Street Cents Project

A co-operative venture with CBC-TV, Halifax, ***Street Cents*** was continued successfully in 1990-91. This informative TV show for young Canadians aged 8-14 stresses effective money management and marketplace know-how. Popular and award-winning, ***Street Cents*** TV is supplemented by activity guides developed for Saskatchewan teachers to use with the videotaped copies of the program available through the Consumer Information Centre.

Consumer Corners Program

Consumer Corners have now been established in more than 75 locations across the province including libraries, community schools, Salvation Army, Safe Shelters and Social Services offices. Foundation materials and resources are conveniently displayed throughout the province to improve public access to the information.

Consumer Information Centre

The Consumer Information Centre (CIC), located in Regina, is a central clearing house of educational resource materials for teachers, consumers, businesses, community groups and professional organizations across the province. The Centre continues to be the public's point of contact for Foundation publications and education resources.

During the year, the focus of the marketplace information service was expanded to include more issues and trends and self-help alternatives. Work continued on a bibliography of the Centre's collection.

Culture, Multiculturalism and Recreation Resource Centre

The Resource Centre provides professional library services to the Foundation, as well as to the members and staff of Sask Sport Inc, (SSI), the Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association (SPRA) and the Saskatchewan Council of Cultural Organizations (SCCO). Services provided include specialized reference services, on-line searching of remote databases, negotiation of interlibrary lending, and circulation from a specialized in-house collection of sport, culture and recreation materials.

Marketplace Living Skills for Low Income People

The Foundation, in co-operation with Saskatchewan Social Services, developed basic education resources for low income Saskatchewan residents as well as an orientation/training program for government social workers and non-government organizations (NGOs). This information is distributed to all Social Services regional offices and through "Consumer Corners".

Literacy Project

In co-operation with Saskatchewan Education the branch developed economic living skills education resources in newspaper format for adults who are improving their reading skills. Titled ***The English Times***, this newspaper contained articles such as "Credit", and "Healthy Living". The branch publishes and distributes 15,000 copies through the Saskatchewan literacy network. In response to a strongly identified need, a special "Parenting" edition was published with an expanded distribution of 30,000 copies.

The material has proven widely popular in many classrooms beyond the Adult Basic Education (ABE) and English as a Second Language (ESL) audiences for whom it was originally intended.

Education and Information Resource Material Development

Work in the field continued for the purposes of needs assessment, promotion of resources and services of the Foundation, promotion of consumer education and the testing and evaluation of developed resources.

Education and information resources are made available to individuals and groups across the province: community and professional group leaders, educators, provincial associations, business groups, seniors, special needs groups and youth.

Among the resources produced are: "Teaching Living Skills and Dollar Bills" (conservation), and "Getting the Lead Out" (factsheet).

Research and development was undertaken on two new self-help education kits during the year entitled ***Shopping For Food and Nutrition*** and ***Kids and Money: A Parents' Guide***.

As well, research continued on a Marketplace Problem-Solving Directory.

Marketplace Partnerships

Co-operative initiatives were undertaken with business, industry and community interest groups to jointly address marketplace issues and concerns.

The Foundation provided assistance and support to the Saskatchewan Consumer Fuel Information Committee. This independent committee of representatives from consumer and industry groups revealed fuel marketing and pricing in Saskatchewan.

A research project into the impact of the GST and PST on family budgets was initiated in co-operation with the private, public and volunteer sector.

The branch participated in on-going federal/provincial consultations regarding proposed amendments to the federal ***Bankruptcy Act***.

The branch provided funding support to the Saskatchewan Consumers' Association (CAC) and was involved in on-going negotiations and consultations.

A Food Pricing Information Project to determine consumer satisfaction with electronic pricing systems in grocery stores was initiated in co-operation with CAC, Westfair Foods, Canada Safeway and Federated Co-ops.

Communications

As of January 1, 1991, communication functions for all branches of the Foundation were centralized under the Education and Marketplace Relations Branch.
Staff worked closely with all branches to develop communications and public relations programs. Activities included media relations, writing, designing and producing a full range of information materials, preparing speeches, supervising work of outside creative and production agencies and organizing special events.

Communications Programs

The Foundation's public newsletter, ***The Consumer Times***, continues to be produced four times a year and is mailed to 25,000 subscribers. Lead articles included: conservation, Christmas, older consumers, and changing families. The expanded public newsletter was also printed on recycled paper during the year under review.

Of Consumer Interest, the Minister's monthly column, is redi-printed for pickup by Saskatchewan weeklies. It uses a question and answer format to help people prevent or solve marketplace problems. During the year, 12 articles were distributed. Three were distributed between January 1 and March 31, 1991.

An electronic media equivalent called ***"Consumer Tips"*** continued to use the Minister's voice on radio tapes. A total of 43 items were distributed to all Saskatchewan radio stations on three occasions.

Numerous media contacts were received during the year for information, background and interviews.

Communications programs were undertaken to support Saskatchewan's participation in the Canada Winter Games in Prince Edward Island. Activities included: media guide production, media liaison, on-site coverage, results reports to local media,and daily games newsletter publication.

Communications and research support was provided to the Saskatchewan Consumer Fuel Information Committee, including the preparation of news releases, a weekly survey of provincial gasoline and propane prices, correspondence and meeting co-ordination.

Statistics

Branch Services	1990-91
Number of Education/Extension Programs	357
Marketplace Information Requests	3,045
Resource Material Loans	1,541
Number of Department Resource and Information Materials Distributed	199,483

* Includes Consumer Education Community Program, CIC tours and other sessions conducted by staff

Arts and Multiculturalism Branch

Effective January 1, 1991, the branch name was changed from Arts & Cultural Industries to the Arts and Multiculturalism Branch as a result of the transfer of the Cultural Industries Section to Saskatchewan Economic Diversification and Trade.

Arts

Between January 1 and March 31, 1991 the Foundation continued to nurture the orderly growth of the arts in Saskatchewan for the benefit of all our citizens.

During this three month period, public sessions on the Arts Strategy Task Force report were held throughout the province in addition to the public hearings and dialogues held in 1990. These sessions provided an opportunity to clarify the intent of recommendations and to encourage response to the report.

The section continued to consult with the National Issues Committee, composed of members of the province's arts community. Discussions focused on federal and provincial issues such as federal devolution, the response to the Arts Consumer Profile, Status of the Artist legislation as well as culture and technology.

Cultural Assistance Program

The Cultural Assistance Program provided assistance to arts, multicultural and heritage organizations to conduct workshops that aid skill and organizational development and intercultural awareness. During the year, thirty-one applicants received $26,480 in subsidies.

In early 1991, the Cultural Industries Consultant position was moved from the Foundation to Saskatchewan Economic Diversification and Trade. This transfer encouraged a new relationship to evolve between the two departments. A strategy for a Western Economic Partnership Agreement was designed, a client services strategy was developed, and other issues of common interest were considered for co-operative action.

International Exchange Program

The International Exchange Program is responsible for the cultural component of the twinning agreement between Saskatchewan and Jilin province in China. During the year, research was completed on the cultural and historical context of more than one hundred contemporary folk art paintings and paper cuts received from Jilin.

Samples from this collection were exhibited by the Chinese Canadian Associations at Mosaic in Regina and Folkfest in Saskatoon.

Work continued on the television special featuring the Young Farmers Exchange Program undertaken by Saskatchewan and Jilin.

The province has negotiated an arrangement with the Dunlop Art Gallery in Regina to tour a collection of contemporary folk art paintings from Jilin to art galleries and exhibition centres across the province during the next two years.

Saskatchewan Film Development Project

The Saskatchewan Film Development Project was initiated to nurture the development of a viable film industry in the province and to provide educational opportunities to local film makers. It is a co-operative undertaking by the Department and the National Film Board. Each partner contributes $200,000 a year for each of three years. This year was the second of the three-year program.

During 1990-91, job placement, on-the-job training, development workshops and observer programs all played significant roles in the development of the industry. The focus of marketing and distribution activity was the international distribution of ***The Great Electrical Revolution,*** a half hour production based on a story by Saskatchewan writer Ken Mitchell.

SaskFILM

SaskFILM, the provincial film funding agency, was incorporated as a non-profit corporation in December, 1989. As of March, 1991, 64 projects have been approved and $640,000 has been committed to development projects.

Special Assistance

The Foundation provided special assistance to organizations and individuals undertaking significant provincial cultural events or projects. These included Saskatchewan sound recording and film ventures; unique opportunities for performers, dancers, sculptors and theatre students; heritage language programs; and the Volunteer Recognition Program.

Status of the Artist Legislation

To improve the socio-economic position of the artist in Canada and Saskatchewan and to show its commitment to improving the status of the artists in our province, the Arts Section placed a high priority on promoting and introducing legislation in the areas that fall within provincial jurisdiction. An implementation strategy was developed, and research and the development of legislative material continued.

Zone Services

The Foundation provided services to communities by maintaining a presence in zone offices across the province.

The mandate of Zone Services is to promote the development of cultural networks at the community, regional and provincial levels; provide ways for rural clients to communicate on cultural issues and trends; and, assist in developing the skills of cultural organizations and their boards.

Saskatchewan Express

The 1990/91 edition of Saskatchewan Express featured eight vocalists, four dancers, and a six-piece band which toured the province.

During 1990/91, Saskatchewan Express gave 160 performances in 34 locations for a total audience of approximately 95,000 people.

Multiculturalism

The multiculturalism section supports and encourages the development of and appreciation for the cultural diversity of Saskatchewan.

In partnership with Saskatchewan people, the government visualizes a multicultural society which is proud of its heritage and where equality exists for all citizens in pursuit of educational and employment opportunities.

Immigrant Settlement Program

This program, transferred to the Department of Human Resources, Labour and Employment in January, 1991, assists recent immigrants and refugees to settle, adjust and participate in their communities. Financial assistance is provided to recognized non-government organizations for settlement programs.

Heritage Languages Program (Fall and Winter)

This program provides financial assistance and consulting services to organizations that assist students with daily or weekly heritage language instruction, not available through regular education channels. Eighty-six organizations received funding of $82,290 to provide instruction in 25 languages for 2,393 students.

Saskatchewan Multicultural Advisory Council

The Council advises the Minister on a broad range of issues relating to multiculturalism and immigration. During the year, $13,000 was allocated to the Council to carry out this function.

Summer Language Program

This program provides financial assistance to ethnocultural organizations holding daily summer language instruction through formal instruction and participation in socio-cultural activities.

Provincial Cultural Organization Development Program

This program provides financial support and consulting services to cultural organizations that can demonstrate the potential to deliver province-wide programs.

Projects

Funding of $5,000 each was provided to the Saskatoon Multilingual Council and the Multilingual Association of Regina in support of the operations of the multilingual schools in Regina and Saskatoon and teacher education programs.

As part of the Wascana Authority Development Master Plan, a garden will pay tribute to the aboriginal people and pioneers of Saskatchewan. A committee has been formed to undertake research and develop a plan of action for this five to ten year project in consultation with multicultural and ethnocultural organizations.

As recognition of March 21, the International Day to Eliminate Racism, the following projects received funding:

- $5,000 to the Regina Multicultural Council for an intercultural awareness poster;
- $1,000 to the Afro-Caribbean Cultural Association of Saskatchewan for an anti-racism conference "A Meeting of Cultures";
- $5,000 for the Teachers of English as a Second Language national conference to sponsor an English Teachers Symposium for newcomers to the province.

Projects completed prior to January 1, 1991, are reported in the Annual Report of the Department of Culture, Multiculturalism and Recreation for the period April 1 to December 31, 1990.

Sport and Recreation Branch

Sport and recreation activities enhance the physical, mental and social well-being of Saskatchewan residents and the viability of Saskatchewan communities. They provide skill development, leisure fulfilment, competition, and entertainment that enrich our lives.

More than $2.8 billion is spent annually on sport and recreation and more than 4800 jobs (1.05% of the total labour force) directly result.

The Foundation works with eight (8) zones, 23 regions, 75 provincial sport governing bodies, 27 provincial recreation associations and 800 municipal groups.

The Foundation released the ***Northern Strategy for Sport, Culture and Recreation - Direction for the '90s*** and continued support for the development of sport, culture and recreation opportunities to meet the unique needs of Northern Saskatchewan.

Recreation

Volunteer Recognition Awards Program

The Foundation recognized 62 volunteers for their contribution in administration and delivery of sport, recreation, culture, heritage activities, multiculturalism, youth and community services in Saskatchewan. Grants totalling $25,000 were given to zone planning committees to host the recognition events.

City Services Seminar

The Foundation held its annual City Services Seminar for senior parks and recreation officials from Saskatchewan's 12 cities. These officials met for a day and a half at Moose Jaw to discuss mutual concerns and exchange ideas.

Regional Associations Annual Conference

The Foundation helped with the organization and sponsorship of this annual conference of 190 volunteer and professional recreation leaders from across Saskatchewan. The 1991 Conference was hosted by the Wild Goose Recreation Association in Kindersley.

Target Population Fund

A number of groups were identified as requiring special attention to enable them to access sport and recreation. Projects were supported such as an interagency computer project for the disabled and a native role model poster series.

Provincial Recreation Plan

Following a public consultation process, the document, ***Partners Working Together - A Recreation Plan for Saskatchewan*** was co-operatively developed with the Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation Association and released. An interagency committee was established to address the report's recommendations.

Skill Development for Management Volunteers

Through the national ***Skills Program for Management Volunteers***, training opportunities were offered through 25 workshops aimed at improving management skills of volunteers in the areas of sport, culture and recreation.

Fitness

The Foundation initiated the ***Fitness and Lifestyles Secretariat*** to coordinate government fitness initiatives, including seniors' issues. The Secretariat promoted healthy lifestyles through initiatives such as national Fitness Week and Project Apex. Project Apex is a co-operative project with the Saskatchewan Dairy Foundation and Saskatchewan Health to provide fitness and nutrition education to grade 5 students.

Sport

Games

In support of multi sport games participation such as the Saskatchewan Games, Western Canada Games, the Canada Games and Seniors Games, the Foundation provided leadership in preparing sport technical needs, planning and organization, administrative and logistical support.

The City of Prince Albert was selected to host the 1992 Saskatchewan Summer Games.

Prince Edward Island hosted the Canada Winter Games in February 1991. Saskatchewan sent 300 athletes, coaches, managers and mission staff to compete in 20 sporting events. Team Saskatchewan finished 5th. overall.

High Performance Sport Development

The high performance sport development approach included: the Sask First Program, a joint effort between the Foundation and Sask Sport Inc.; a sport science study by the University of Saskatchewan; $356,000 granted to 473 elite Saskatchewan athletes through the Athlete Assistance Program; and, $85,000 to four nationally-designated sport training centres.

Leadership and Organizational Development

During the fiscal year, the Foundation continued to stress leadership development through the ***National Coaching Certification Program*** with 94 workshops, involving 1,444 coaches, in the province during the fiscal year.

The ***Provincial Coach Grant Program*** provided $17,000 to each of 14 provincial sport governing bodies to employ a provincial coach. Other coaching initiatives included $2,000 to each of the eight Zone Sport Councils for coaching workshops and sponsorship of a high performance coaching seminar at the University of Regina.

Fifty hosting grants totalling $70,000 were awarded to provincial sport governing bodies to assist them in hosting regional or national sports competitions. The International Sport Exchange Program continued with the hosting of two table tennis coaches from the Province of Jilin, China.

Education and Awareness

The Foundation assisted the National Commission on Fair Play in distributing resource kits to encourage fair play and discourage the use of drugs. The Foundation helped with the development of a resource package and educational seminars on "drugs in sport" in partnership with the Sport Medicine Council of Saskatchewan.

Zone Section

The Foundation maintained seven zone offices throughout the province to work directly with communities, regional associations, zone sport councils and provincial organizations stressing community development and program delivery.

Heritage Branch

The Heritage Branch enhances the province's culture through the conservation, management, interpretation and development of the province's heritage resources. The Branch administers ***The Heritage Property Act***, and ***The Saskatchewan Heritage Foundation Act***, operates the Museum of Natural History and Government House Provincial Heritage Property and administers a number of province-wide regulatory and consultative programs. The branch also provides support for the operations of ***The Western Development Museums Act*** and ***The Saskatchewan Archives Act***. The most significant issue during the period was the implementation of the Saskatchewan Heritage Foundation on Heritage Day, February 18, 1991.

Resource Management

Archaeology Program

The Archaeology Program continued regulatory and resource management functions.

From January 1, 1991, two archaeological and vertebrate palaeontological investigation permits were issued bringing the total to 84 for the fiscal year.*

From January 1, 1991, thirty-nine land use and development proposals were reviewed for a total of 369 for the fiscal year.* These proposals were reviewed to determine the need for archaeological resource impact assessment or other protective action.

In the new year, twenty-nine new records were added to the Provincial Archaeological Site Inventory, which now holds information on 11,465 sites. A feasibility and design study to enable land use planners, heritage consultants and other client groups remote access to the provincial inventory was prepared.

The Swift Current Petroglyph, an outstanding prehistoric "rock art" site, was officially designated a Provincial Heritage Property in 1990, one of only five petroglyphs in the province containing multiple carvings still in their original, undisturbed location.

A comprehensive policy for managing unmarked burials in Saskatchewan is being developed.

History and Grants Program

In co-operation with private property owners and municipal councils, the Foundation maintains a program of historic site identification, official designation and restoration throughout the province.

From January 1, 1991, the number of Municipal Heritage Property designations increased from 500 to 507, including the following noteworthy sites: Eaton's Department Store and the Russell Block, Moose Jaw; Fire Hall #3, Saskatoon.

In the new year, 22 owners of designated Municipal and Provincial Heritage Property received more than $169,000 in grant assistance to undertake restoration. For the fiscal year 35 owners received a total of $198,000 in grant assistance. Property owners contributed more than $900,000 of their own funds.* Among restoration projects undertaken in 1991 were:

- Northern Bank Building, Regina;
- New Stockholm Lutheran Church, near Stockholm;
- CNR Station, Rosthern;
- Town Hall/Opera House, Wolseley;
- Town Hall/Opera House, Melville.

Financial assistance is provided to undertake research and interpretation projects in the fields of history, archaeology, geology, natural history and historic architecture. In the new year, grants amounting to more than $127,000 were awarded to 81 projects. For the fiscal year, grants amounting to $167,000 were awarded to 91 projects.

* Refer to the Department of Culture, Multiculturalism and Recreation Annual Report for the period April 1 - December 31, 1990.

In 1991, projects included:

- a pictorial history of Government House, Regina, part of the 1991 Centennial Celebrations;
- archaeological excavation of the Hudson's Bay Company former fur trade post, Fort Qu'Appelle;
- publication of ***Long Ago Today***, a book on prehistoric archaeology for school use;
- support for hosting a Northern Heritage Conference in La Ronge;
- a study of endangered natural history areas in Saskatchewan.

Architectural Program

The Architectural Program regulates construction development on provincially designated historic buildings and assists owners, engineers and architects in the restoration and adaptation of these structures for new uses. Enforcement of architectural standards under ***The Heritage Property Act*** and assistance in interpreting building code requirements as they apply to historic buildings are key functions of the program.

Heritage resource education is being developed to raise the profile of heritage resource management both in Saskatchewan and beyond. Preliminary planning for television programming on Historic Architecture of Saskatchewan is underway.

The development of fire protection systems is encouraged in provincially designated buildings. Reviews of historic sites were undertaken with the Provincial Fire Commissioner's Office, Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation, municipal authorities and developers. Reviews of architectural consultants' work included Diocese of Qu'Appelle renovations, restoration of the Gravelbourg Convent School and Cathedral, the Legislative Building, and Battleford Territorial Land Titles Building site.

The Architectural Program developed phase two of the master systems plan for heritage resource management in architecture for Saskatchewan.

The plan provides a framework for identifying and managing the province's architectural inventory over the next decade.

Saskatchewan Heritage Foundation

On Saskatchewan Heritage Day, February 18,1991, the government announced the creation of the Saskatchewan Heritage Foundation. The need for a Heritage Foundation was identified last year in the heritage strategy document entitled, ***Heritage 2000***.

This new agency works at arms-length from government and will concentrate on the development and interpretation of community-based heritage projects throughout the province. Members of the Board of Directors come from communities across Saskatchewan, and bring a variety of business, academic, administrative and professional expertise to the organization.

Saskatchewan Museum of Natural History

Since 1906 the Saskatchewan Museum of Natural History has collected, preserved and interpreted the natural and human history of the province.

A total of 26,783 people visited from January 1 to March 31, compared to 11,867 during the same period the previous year. During the fiscal year, 108,181 people visited compared to 143,358 in 1989-90. This decrease was due to the four month closure of the museum following the disastrous fire which took place in February, 1990.

Education and Extension

Educational programs in the Museum's Discovery Room continued to be well attended during the first three months of the year, with 230 class presentations being made to more than 3,855 students. For the fiscal year, a total of 476 presentations were made to 7,852 students. The preschool "Dinomites" program also grew by "leaps and bounds", with 38 presentations made to 550 children in just three months.

The Paleo Pit, the museum's new interactive gallery which opened on October 27, 1990 as a complement to the Earth Sciences Gallery, attracted large numbers of children of all ages. Attendance for the January to March period totalled over 12,300. Attendance since opening was more than 21,000.

Preparation and Exhibits

The Preparation and Exhibits staff focused on four main areas of activity:

- clean-up, restoration and reinstallation of smoke-damaged exhibits in the Earth Sciences Gallery;
- development of the Paleo Pit exhibits;
- completion of design for the First Nations Gallery;
- completion of 40% of the design for the new Life Sciences Gallery.

Conservation activities centred on the cleaning and restoration of several thousand bird and mammal specimens following the fire, plus preparation of objects and mounts for the First Nations Gallery.

Curatorial Programs

Previous field work had yielded numerous fossils from the areas of Bengough, the Big Muddy Valley, Carrot River, Consul, Eastend, the Frenchman Valley, Herschel and Unity for the Earth Sciences Unit to study. The discovery of dinosaur egg fragments was a "first" for Saskatchewan. Research projects involving travel in the U.S. were funded by a federal grant from the Natural Science and Engineering Research Council (NSERC). The Broughton Collection of late Cretaceous artifacts found near Assiniboia was donated.

The Anthropology Unit was primarily involved with planning and development of the First Nations Gallery, collections maintenance and documentation.

More than 27,000 archaeological artifacts were received during the year from the Saskatchewan Research Council, contractors and avocational archaeologists.
In 1990, the Life Sciences Unit developed the initial content and design for the proposed new Life Sciences Gallery, destined to become the "flagship" of the museum by the middle of the decade.

Research activities included: studies on the ecology of the Burrowing Owl in the Regina area; Richardson's Merlin in Saskatoon; and, Cooper's Hawk in the Qu'Appelle Valley. Research funding was provided by Natural Science and Engineering Research Council, the Saskatchewan Endangered Species Fund and Wildlife Habitat Canada.

The museum continued to be a major information resource for students, special interest groups and the general public. From January 1, 1991, more than 100 requests for information were received and handled and extension activities were carried out, including workshops, group presentations, behind-the-scenes tours and interviews. For the fiscal year, more than 600 information requests were received. Extension activities were also carried out including workshops, group presentations, field tours, behind-the-scenes tours and interviews.

Museum Associates

The Museum Associates active membership increased to 194 individuals and families by year's end and 93 volunteers contributed 2,626 hours of service to the Museum.

The popular Megamunch Club continued to offer monthly programs to children and was continually oversubscribed.

To support its varied programming, the Museum Associates' activities are supported by grants, donations and other fund raising activities.

Government House Historic Property

Government House functions as a museum and conference facility, in addition to housing the office of the Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan.

The centennial year of Government House, 1991, was launched with a revitalized Historical Society playing an important role in planning. A major centennial project, the illustrated history of Government House, will be published in November, 1991.

A total of 4,445 people visited Government House in the first three months of 1991 for tours, functions or meetings. For the fiscal year, there were 25,597 visitors.

Administrative Services

Administrative Services of the Family Foundation provides administrative and financial support to the Foundation. Principal responsibilities include budget management, financial services, property management and computer services.

During 1990-91, support services were provided to the newly formed Family Foundation and budget preparation assistance before, during and after the amalgamation.

1990/91 Expenditure Summary
April 1, 1990 - March 31, 1991

Miscellaneous	Expenditures
Program Services	$3,225,304.
Capital - Museum of Natural History	$ 334,931.
Miscellaneous Total	**$3,560,235.**
Grants	
The Saskatchewan Arts Board	$ 0.*
The Saskatchewan Centre of the Arts	$ 200,000.
The Western Development Museum	$ 195,800.
Arts, Multiculturalism, Heritage and Museum Programs	$ 265,900.
The Saskatchewan Archives Board	$ 197,500.
The City of Saskatoon with respect to repayment of principal and interest on loans from Saskatchewan Property Management Corporation for the construction of Saskatchewan Place	$ 0.*
Sport and Recreation Programs	$ 299,153.
Future Corporation	$ 8,100.
Grant Total	**$1,166,453.**
Total	**$4,726,688.**

Note: The above expenditures do not include funds expended in the period April 1 - December 31, 1990 for the Departments of Culture, Multiculturalism and Recreation, and Consumer and Commercial Affairs.

*** Total budget paid from Culture, Multiculturalism and Recreation vote prior to January 1, l991.**